ACTIVITY IN CAPE COLON'

Invading Boers and Rebels Keep the British Busy.

The Chose After Commandant Krit. zinger so Far Without Result-The

CAPE TOWN, June 17 -Sir Gordon Sprigg, the Prime Minister of Cape Col ony, reports that 150 Boers in the vicinity of Calvinia, in the western part of the colony, under Commandant Maritz, surrounded a British patrol of twenty-nine men. The British had two killed and two wounded. Twenty were captured, The Boers are being closely pursued.

A force of rebels at Kakamas, in Gor donia, some miles to the east of Priceks in the Cape Colony, numbering about 200, has moved to the southwest.

Colonel Doran has engaged 100 Boers in the Midland district. The burghers had two men killed and three wounded. Another part of Scheeper's commando entered Murraysburg on Thursday and looted the stores.

The chase after Commandant Kritsinger, who broke back from the Barkely East district has not as yet led to any result other than keeping the invaders moving in several detached parties, which are spread over the Albert and Maraisburg districts.

The war prisoners now number 19,242. LONDON, June 17.-General Kitchener, in a despatch from Blocmfontein, sends the following report of Boer casualties since his last weekly telegram, exclusive of the killed and wounded accounted for in the fight with De Wet_ scentioned in his despatch of last Saturday: Killed, 24; wounded, 14; prisoners, 25; surrendered, 165; rifles captured, 137; small arm nmmunition, 8,200 rounds; wagons, 198; horses, 1,500; cattle, 3,000.

In the House of Commons today the Right Hon. W. St. John Brodrick, Secretary of State for War, announced that the mortality in the Johannesburg camp up to May 31 was 6 men, 6 women, and 69 children, and in the Transvaal camps up to the same date 29 women, 47 men, and 250 children.

This statement was greeted by cries of "Shame" from the Radical and Irish members. Leave was accorded to Mr. Lloyd-George, member for Carnayon, to move an adjournment of the House in order to call attention to the condition of the South African camps and the alarming mertality among the women and

The high death rate among the children in the Transvaal is accounted for by an epidemic of measles.

LONDON, June 18 .- A despatch to the "Morning Post" from Brussels says that Mr. Kruger has had several interviews with influential members of The Hague Tribunal with a view to inducing them to intervene between Great Britain and the Transvaal

"The Financial News" says Dr. Levds. Mr. Kruger at the pro-Boer meeting on

prisoners captured by the British are Mr. Tengbergen, the Landrost of Swaziland, and Mr. Emmett. These men are brothers-Boer commandant general, who is now in Europe. Landrost von Brandis, of Piet Retlef, has also been taken prisoner. NEW ORLEANS, June 17 -- A new im-

petus has been given to the shipment of horses from here to South Africa for the use of the British army. Two train loads of horses arrived yesterday, and one today, and Captain Wilson, of the remount department, arrived to take charge of the

mules being shipped. Eight transports to be extinct. have been obtained, and will arrive here in the next few days.

in charge of the entire American business of buying and shipping mules. NORFOLK, Va., June 17 .- The British

steamer Hackney is taking on here 3,290 tons of Pocahontas coal, preparatory to salling for East London, South Africa. The Hackney has aboard also, for the use of the British army, some 2,000 tons of stores, including food stuffs, cigarettes. English Breeders Sny Discased 2.800 sacks of flour, and 2,000 reels of

barbed wire. The stores were taken on at New York. FEARS FOR FRANCE'S FUTURE.

Uneasiness Over the Government's Attitude Causes Securities to Fall.

today. Enquiries made in financial and from influenza and pink eye. political circles show that the fall is attributed to the grave uneasiness resulting from the Government's anti-religious policy and from the income tax legisla-

Count La Rochelle assured a correspondent that to his certain knowledge three milliards of francs have gone out of France in the last two months because of the fear among the moneyed classes for the future of France.

Premier Waldeck-Rosseau, in speech in the Senate, adopted an extremely moderate tone respecting the treatment of the religious orders. This was intended to reassure the public mind, which has been horrified by the open declarations of MM. Pelletan, Vaillant, and Zevaes in the Chamber of Deputies that the associations bill meant a war on religion. On this account the Senate has ordered that the Premier's speech be posted up throughout France. Nevertheless, the public mind is by no means caim.

CAMBRIDGE TO GREET YALE. A Congratulatory Address to Be Pre-

sented by a Deputation. LONDON, June 17.-Cambridge University is preparing a congratulatory address to Yale on its bi-centenary. denutation, which includes Sir Robert Stawell Ball Lowndean, professor of astronomy at Cambridge, and Prof. Cox, of Montreal, will present the address.

SCOTCHMEN THE WINNERS. An International Golf Match Played at the Pollok Links.

GLASGOW, June 17 .- Harry Vardon and J. H. Taylor, representing England, and James Braid and "Sandy" Herd, represcating Scotland, played an international match of thirty-six holes at the Pollok links today. The Scots won by 9 up and

TO ISSUE NEW STOCK.

Vickers' Sons & Maxim Plan a Big Increase. LONDON, June 18.-Vickers' Sons & Maxim, propose to increase their capital by issuing £1,190,000 of ordinary shares.

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CUBA'S PIRST PRESIDENT.

en, T. Estrada Palma Favored by Many Factions.

NEW YORK, June 17.-Horatio S. Rubens, counsel to the Cuban Junta here during the recent revolution in Cuba, has eeen in conference with Gen. Tomas strada Palma, who came down from his ome in Central Valley, N. Y., on Saturday, on learning of Mr. Rubens' arrival, Death Rate of Children Causes General Palma was President of the Cries of "Shame" in Parliament. Junta, and is talked of for first President d the Cuban Republic

"There is no doubt about General Palma being the almost unanimous choice for President," said Mr. Rubens today, 'Nearly all Cubans, even those who are not agreed on some points, favor him. I discussed the matter with him on Saturday to ascertain his views, and I wish to say that he is not seeking the office, but the demand that he be a candidate so great that he can hardly refuse." The only possible opponent to General Palma in the Presidential contest, Mr. Rubens sand is ten Hartholomew Masso, who was Vice President of the revolutionary provisional government. General Palma, who is sixty-live years old, has advantage of the support of the fac-ns represented by Gen. Maximo Gomez and Sener Juan Gualberto Gomez. These two are bitter chemics, and yet are both for General Paima.

Mr. Rubens will return to Havana in a few days, and will make a report on his conference with General Palma.

IN BATTLE WITH THE MULLAH. No Report Received From the Com-

mand Under Colonel Swayne. LONDON, June 17 .- The Foreign Office has received the following reports as to the progress of the British expedition which is co-operating with Negus Menelik, of Abyssinia, against the rebellious Mad Mullah.

Colonel Swayne, with the main body, advanced on June 2 against the Mullah's camp at Yahel, and nothing has been heard from him since. He left Captain McNeil, with a guard of 300 men at Zariba, Somali. The Mullah's cavairy and infantry attacked Zariba three times, but were repulsed. On the last occasion they lost nearly 500 men, 141 of whom were left dead on the field. The British casualties were ten native

levies killed and nine wounded. TO END THE TARIFF WAR.

Russin, Though Auxious, Not Willing to Act First. ST. PETERSBURG, June 17 .- The "Novoe Vremya" says Russia desires to renew her former friendly trade relations with the United States and the present

ad misunderstanding It said, however, that in all justice the United States must take the first steps in that direction.

A NATURAL GAME PRESERVE. The Richness of an Uninhabited

Region in Uganda. LONDON, June 18.-Sir Harry Hamilton da, has returned after an absence of two cil, which corresponds to a State Legisthe European agent of the Transvaal, will years. In an interview yesterday he de- lature, is expected to consider the report come to London especially to represent scribed the extraordinary abundance of of the treasurer of the island. The re-Wednesday at which Messrs. Sauer and there is a large stretch of country be-Merriman, the peace emissaries from Cape that is entirely uninhabitated by human tween Eldoma Ravine and Mount Eigon PRETORIA, June 17 .- Among the latest | beings owing to the depopulation through tribal wars years ago. There are large animals in that section

that have so long been unmolested by in-law of Mrs. Botha, the wife of the man that they are as tame as deer in an called. English park. Sir Harry and his party went through herds of elephants and con stantly met rhinoceri, while they passed for several miles among herds of zebras and antelopes, which approached fearlessly to within ten yards.

Lions were constantly encountered, but zebras that they did not interfere with the caravan. It was here that the party found the new giraffe-zebra, known as The shipments are all of horses, no the helladotherium, which was supposed

Colonel Deberg, who makes his head- party forebore from shooting game. They quarters in Kansas City, has been placed | found more pleasure in wandering in this watching the tame and half tame creatures than indulging in any killing. Sir Harry Johnston intends to advise the Government to maintain the district as a national park and game preserve.

STRICTER RULES WANTED. Horses Are Being Imported.

LONDON, June 17 .- A deputation from Jockey Club, and other similar organigarions, visited Robert William Hanbury, President of the Board of Agriculture, today and urged that measures be prepared to check the importation, especially from PARIS, June 17.—Rentes fell 22 centimes | the United States, of horses suffering Mr. Hanbury replied that the informa-

tion in possession of the board of agriculture was not such as to necessitate the stringent regulations suggested, but said he would look into the matter again.

THE SHAMROCK II DOCKED. May Bave a Trial With the Old Challenger on June 27.

GLASGOW, June 17.-The Shamrock II was docked at Greenock this afternoon. It is expected that she will be ready for another trial race with the Shamrock I on June 27. Afterward she will probably make for headquarters at Lamlash, on the southeast side of the Isle of Arran, for a trial in the open waters with the The German Emperor's yacht Meteor as been ordered to Kiel, and the yawl ybarita to the Solent, The Shamrock I nd the Kariad were towed aere today, to

BACK IN NEWPORT HARBOR. The Constitution Returns to Her

Moorings in Fine Trim.

from Bristol late this afternoon, William Butler Duncan, jr., her managing owner, accompanied by Commodore Lewis Cass Ledyard, of the New York Yacht Club. and Arthur T. Kemp, went to Bristo early this morning and came down on the early this morning and cause down on the yacht this afternoon.

The Constitution had a light southwest wind and a flood tide to contend with on her rip from Bristal, but in spite of this she made good time, and seemed to be in her old form. She carried nothing but leaver salls and they all set finely. Mr.

lower salls, and they all set finely. Mr Duncan is well satisfied with the Consti-tution as she now is, and believes that in the refitting of the yacht she is in bet-ter condition than before. It was shortly after 5 o'clock this afternoon when the Constitution hove in sight up the bay, beating down, and at 5:40 she was tied up to her moorings.
Tomorrow Mr. Duncan will begin again

the work of tuning up the yacht, and the work will be carried on daily, so that she will be in prime condition for the New York Yacht Club races on June 29 and July 1. \$1.00 Excursion to Frederick,

Hagerstown, and Winchester, From B. & O. R. R. Station 7 a. m., Sunday June 23. Returning, leave Hagerstown and Win-chester at 6, and Frederick at 7 p. m., same day. You can afford to take your family on this

WON TO THE GOVERNMENT

The Porto Rican Federal Party Supports the Administration.

Delegation Calls on Mr. Allen to Offer Their Co-operation-Convinced That America's Intentions in the Island Are for the Best.

SAN JUAN, P. R., June 17 .- The mempers of the Federal party, who were formerly bitter opponents of the Adminstration, have now changed around and are supporters of the policy of the Gov-

This party held a convention on Sunday nd elected Francisco Acuna as the new eader, to succeed Munoz Rivera, who has esigned. The convention also secretly esolved to support the Government. A mmittee, therefore, consisting of Seores Acuna, Santiago, Palmer, Herminio, and Diaz called on Governor Allen today and paid their respects. They said they were appointed to call on him as the representatives of a political party and citizens who were interested in the development of Porto Rico and the advancement of the industries of the country.

They offered to co-operate with the overnor in any way that would tend to he benefit of the country. The spokes can of the committee said they felt that he time had come when small bickerings should be overlooked, and all men should unite in the desire to aid good government. Sufficient time had elapsed since the establishment of civil government for an idea to be formed as to the intentions of the Administration, and the committee felt that these were all for the

Governor Allen received the delegation politely and expressed his pleasure on learing that the efforts of the Administration met with the approval of all the good citizens. He said that the Amerien Government and himself, personally, welcomed the support and co-operation of all the people of Porto Rico. He had never doubted the result of the experiment here, which had only been retarded by injudicious statements which had been circulated. In regard to the future overnor Allen intimated that the sland would soon enjoy free trade and great era of prosperity.

At the convention on Sunday delegates were present from every district of the island, and it is considered that this seneral approval is the highest sort of a tribute to Governor Allen and promises a great deal of prosperity. The Administration is highly gratified at the endorse ment of the Federal party.

Dr. Jose C. Barbosa and Senor Jose Jomez Brioso, both members of the execitive council of Porto Rico, have been otified that a special session of the council has been called by Governor Allen to meet on July 4. They have been in Washington for several days, and expect to Johnston, British Commissioner for Ugan- return to the island at once. The coun animal life in a part of Uganda. He says | port shows that the revenues are sufficient to sustain the island expen Under the provisions of the Foraker act, when that time arrives, the island can enjoy the privilege of free trade with the njoy the privilege of free trade with the inited States. This is very much desired the islanders. Secretary Hay also received a notifica

tion from Governor Allen yesterday that an extra session of the council had been

SMALLPOX ON A STEAMSHIP. A Passenger on the Tallahassee Suf-

fering From the Disease. NEW YORK, June 17.-The steamer Tallahassee, from Savannah, passed in at also a heavy purchaser. they were so busy with hartbeests and Quarantine today, reporting all well, and went on to her pler up the North River. William Stanton, a negro, who was one of her steerage passengers, went to Bellevue Hospital as soon as he landed, and omplained there of being ill. The doc-Except for the purpose of obtaining tors found that he was suffering from specimens for the British Museum, the smallpox, and sent him to North Brother

Island. As soon as Deputy Health Officer beautiful natural zoological garden and L'Hommedieu, at Quarantine, heard of other concern. the case from Bellevue, he visited the Tallahassee at her pier to ask for an explanation of the "all well" report. Captain Askins said that Stanton did not report sick on the voyage, though he must have been suffering from the disease before boarding the steamer at Savannah. As the passengers had all left the steamer after her arrival at the pler, all that could be done was to place the vessel under observation. None of her crew the Hunters' Improvement Society, the was allowed to go ashore, and the steamer will tomorrow return to Quarantine for disinfection. The quarters occupied by the steerage passengers have been proced un-der lock and key, and the entire crew will be vaccinated.

will be vaccinated.

Coletta Mernens, fourteen years old, who was one of 700 steerage passengers aboard the Britannia, in today from Naples, fell ill from smallpox on the voyage. She was sent to North Brother island, and the immigrants who were in the same compartment with her were trans-terred to Hoffman Island for observation. The steamship was detained at Quaran-tine for disinfection.

A DIVIDEND DECLARED. Missouri Pacific to Pay Two and a

Half Per Cent. NEW YORK, June 17 .- On the recom nendation of George P. Gould, the direct tors of the Missouri Pacific Railroad de clared today a semi-annual dividend of 21/2 per cent on the capital stock of that

ompany. This is the first dividend declared or Missouri Pacific stock since 1891. It is payable on July 5, and it is applicable to he new stock issued in exchange for the onvertible debenture bonds. The Gould nd the Rockefeller interests recently de dared their intension to convert about

12,000,000 of these bonds. The Missouri Pacific directors also pass d a resolution giving the shareholders the right to subscribe for new stock at NEWPORT, R. I., June 17.—The cup defender Constitution is again at her moorings in Newport Harbor, having arrived from Bristol late this afternoon. William crease the company's capital to \$100,000,

A CONVICT'S BRAVE ACT. Aids a Deputy Sheriff to Capture as Escaping Desperado.

RICHMOND, Va., June 17 .- The bravery of the sheriff and a convict prevented two desperadoes from escaping from jail at Lawrenceville, Va., yesterday.

C. I. Mitchell, deputy sheriff, was giving the prisoners their supper when John Hatcher, who was serving a term for ousebreaking, and Ben Homes, under in dietment for marder, made an upon him, knocking him down. upon hilh, knecking him down. Mitchell was quickly on his feet, drew his pistol, and shot Hatcher twice, inflicting wounds which are expected to prove fatal.

Meanwhile Homes had gotten out of jail and was running like a deer for the timber near by. Mitchell, assisted by Moses Spell, another prisoner, gave chase and soon overhauled the fleeing man. Before the desperado would submit to capture he hurled at the deputy a heavy rock, which narrowly missed its mark. 'The \$10,000. The contents of the knitting mills,

Governor will be requested to pardor Spell. Norfolk & Washington Steamboat Co Delightful trips daily at 5:30 p. m. from foot

WALKED INTO A TORRENT.

A Young Man and a Woman Perish in the Darkness.

RICHMOND, Va., June 17 .- Two person ost their lives in the cloudburst which visited the town of Harrisonburg on Saturday. They were a young man and his sweetheart, Albert Hilbert and Miss Etta Revercomb, who had been attendng a lawn party just outside the town. After the heavy downpour of rain had used they started in the linky darkness or their homes, ignorant of the fact that Blener Creek, which lay across their path, had been changed from a shallow tream to a roaring torrent. In the darkness they walked into the flood and were swept swiftly down stream,

young Hilbert, but his body has not yet een recovered. It is estimated that the damage in Har-

isonburg will reach \$50,000. STORMS IN VIRGINIA.

Two Towns Reported as Wreeked by a Tornado.

RICHMOND, Va., June 17 .- A report es from Bristol tonight that the towns of Gate City and Big Stone Gap, in Smyth delegates necessary to nominate him. County, Virginia, have been wrecked by tornado. All wires in that section are down, however, and the report cannot be

The State has suffered severely from horses were grazing in a pasture when a small stream rose so rapidly that they were drowned. A train heavily loaded with rails, fell through a trestle thirty feet high on a new electric line near here tonight. Three

TO MOVE FOR A DISCHARGE. Kennedy's Counsel to Make an Ap-

men were killed.

plication Today. NEW YORK, June 17 .- Robert M. Moore of Cantwell & Moore, attorneys for Samuel J. Kennedy, will move before Judge Newburger in the Court of General Sesdens tomorrow morning to quash the indictment for murder in the first degree on which Dr. Kennedy has been tried here three times, and to discharge the defend-

It was not learned definitely today whether the District Attorney will oppose such a motion or not. He and Mr. Cantwell and Mr. Moore had a conference this afternoon. When it was over Mr. Moore said the District Attorney had requested that the defendant's lawyers say nothing about what had taken place It was learned that unless the District Attorney changes his mind he will not ppose a motion to admit Dr. Kennedy to

BOUGHT BY PITTSBURG MEN. Senator Flinn One of the Sharon

bail. Should Judge Newburger deny the

motion to quash the indictment Mr

Moore will move that his client be re-

leased under nominal ball.

Steel Company's Purchasers. SHARON, Pa., June 17 .- Through the purchase of the bulk of the holdings of Frank H. Buh' in the Sharon Steel Company, Pittsburg stockholders have secured a controlling interest in that conern. The purchase was made by a syndicate composed mostly of Pittsburg men, including Senator William Flinn, George W. Darr, President of the Sharon Steel

It is stated that Mr. Buhl will retain directorship in the company and \$250,-660 in stock. It is also said that he cleared \$1,000,000 on the sale. Following the transfer of stock comes the announce-ment that Mr. Buhl will, with other capitalists, erect a locomotive works and a cruchle steel mill here.

Mr. Buhl, however, denied this, saying that he had laid no plans for the future. nor will he accept the presidency of any

MURDERED IN A SCHOOL.

A Dismissed Teacher Kills a Principal and Shoots Himself.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., June 17 .- At Dothan, Ala., the principal of the public schools nominates the faculty and the board of education confirms or rejects. Last week the principal, Prof. George Mc-Neill, nominated a faculty but left off Prof. C. Rankin, one of the teachers, and the board confirmed McNeill's selec-

Rankin spent Sunday trying to get the case reopened, but receiving no encouragement he went to the schoolhouse this morning bent on revenge. Flading McNeill he blew his brains out and then shot himself.

Rankin was a young man unmarried, and came from Pensacola. McNeill was nearly fifty years old, and leaves a widow and three children. He was prominent in educational circles, and had held from taxation. similar high places as principal in the schools of Lafayette and Talladega.

HUNDREDS JOIN THE HUNT. Texas Rangers Ordered to Aid in

Parsuit of Cortez. AUSTIN, Tex., June 17.-The hunt for Gregorio Cortez and his band of desperate Mexicans, who killed Sheriff Robert M. Glover, of Genzales County, Sheriff W. T. Morris, of Karnes County, and Tony chnabel, a ranchman, a few days ago has grown until there are probably 500 engaged in scouring the country for the

fugitives. The sheriffs of more than twenty coun ties are out with large posses, and a de achment of the State Rangers was toay ordered by Governor Sayers to join n the pursuit. Every but and house ocupled by Mexicans, throughout this part of the State, is being searched by the ofcers. A number of arrests have been nade of persons, who are thought to have ome knowledge of the whereabouts of Cortez and his band.

The Mexicon population are much extheir homes in the country and seeking refuge in the towns. Whenever a Mexican is found with guns or other weapons he is disarmed and placed under guard.

A FIRE IN JACKSONVILLE.

The El Modello Block Burns With n Loss of \$33,000. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., June 17 .- The El Modello block, at Clay and West Bay

Streets, was destroyed by fire this mornng. The upper floors were occupied by the Jacksonville Knitting Factory, and the lower floors by stores. The block, which was owned by George R. Foster, was damaged to the extent of

\$10,000; Fernandez Brothers' cigar factory, \$6,000; other occupants, \$7,000. Flynn's Business College, 8th and K. Business, Shorthand, Typewriting \$25 a year.

SWANSON'S CHANCES POOR

Montague Surprising Other Candidates by His Gains.

Secures the Delegates From Princess Anne and Southampton Counties -Friends of Other Aspirants Practically Concede His Victory.

RICHMOND, Va., June 17 .- Mr. Montawe had another good day with which to egin the week's political tally sheet and will undoubtedly go to the gubernatorial onvention with more delegates than all the other candidates in the race. Mr. Their cries for aid brought a party of Swanson's strength showed up very poorseighbors to the scene, but the dense gloom | Iy and disappointed many of his friends, and the violence of the torrent rendered all | who remained about the newspaper offices efforts to rescue them fruitiess. The next here until a late hour tonight to hear the morning the body of the young woman results. Mr. Montague's strength has so was found hanging by the hair from a far developed as to cause the friends of limb. Farther down, in some tangled un- the other candidates to look amazed over dergrowth, were the hat and gloves of the repeated victories he is having in almost all the counties.

Roanoke County today elected nine delegates, uninstructed, but they are all friendly to Montague. The Attorney General will get the seventeen from Southampton County and seven from Princess

A close friend of Mr. Swanson said onight that he did not think now that the Attorney General could be beaten, as he has already secured almost enough The campaign, thus practically concluded, has been a remarkable one from many points of view, and is replete with examples of the strangeness and uncertainty of politics. It has been a campaign storms. Near Buchanan yesterday some from start to finish, fought and won on unreal issues, and has been devoid at any stage of a single positive point upon which the supporters of the two leading candidates could argue, outside of per-

> onal allusions, To begin with, Mr. Montague had originally intended to be a candidate for reelection to his present office. This was known and favored by the friends of Lieutenant Governor Echols, and they would have been among his strongest supporters. The announcement, however, by Montague into the race for the head of the ticket, as he knew that if Mr. Swanson defeated Mr. Echols, he could not ne from the same Congressional district (the Fifth), as Attorney General. The strongest card played by Mr. Montague was that of seizing upon Mr. Swan-

son's thoughtless declaration of support by memoers of Congress. This was a most effective campaign slogan, though the attitude of the "office-holder's candidate" was one into which Mr. Swanson did not rightfully belong. It is true that he wrote from Washington stating that both Senators and several members of Congress would support him, but he might have added that neither of the Senators encouraged his candidacy, but, knowing him as they did, they both told him that they would support him. The members of Congress with whom he was also intimate were inclined to him as their friend and colleague, but none of them intemplated nor gave him any more support than did Messrs. Jones, Lamb, and Rixey to Mr. Montague, who were quoted in the papers at the same time as being

prosed to Mr. Swanson. COURTLAND, Va., June 17 .- The Democrats of Southampton County met here today and elected seventeen delegates to the gubernatorial convention and unanimoughy instructed all of them to vote for A. J. Montague for Governor and Joseph E. Willard for Lieutenant Governor. MAPLETON, Va., June 17 .- Montague will get all seven of Princess Anne's dele-Company, who succeeded Mr. Buhl, was gates. They were elected this afternoon and instructed to vote for the Attorney General. Resolutions endorsing him for

Governor were unanimously adopted. TO RESUME WORK TODAY.

Members of the Constitutional Convention Reassemble in Richmond. RICHMOND, Va., June 17.-The hotels are crowded tonight with members of the Constitutional Convention, which will meet again tomorrow. It is highly probable that Mr. Thom's resolution requiring the members to take the oath provided by the present constitution will be taken

from the table, and if this is done another long debate will follow. In view of the fact that there has been great deal of dissatisfaction among the people of this State over the way in which the county school superintendents are chosen, a strong fight will be made to take the selection of them from the pale of political control and allow the people to elect them. It is said that this uld make it impossible for the members of the board of education to make se of the public school system for their

Some of the members are in favor of a head tax of \$2 and over and its pay-nent made a prerequisite to voting. Whey claim that if this plan is adopted by the convention it will cut off numbers worthless voters and purify the elec-

ON A VISIT TO MR. CROKER.

Representative Belmont May Be Tammany's Candidate for Mayor. NEW YORK, June 17 .- Oliver H. P. lelmont, Representative in Congre from New York, it was announced by his friends tonight, left New York a week ago Thursday for a visit to Richard

roker at Wantage. Mr. Belmont has gone to visit Mr. Croker for the purpose of talking about the Democratic candidate for mayor, and acidentally, it is stated, to urge on Mr. Croker his own qualifications for that mination.

Mr. Belment has very many friends in Fammany Hall, who declared tonight they would like to see him Tummany's andidate for mayor.

FLAMES COST TWO LIVES. Fatal Fires Break Out in and Near Baltimore.

lost by fire in Baltimore and veinity today. Gasoline exploding in a store caused the death of Lewis H. Lineweaver, an aged shoemaker on Mulberry Street, this morning. The house is a sort of tenement occupied mainly by old people. Another to ten years in State prison. occupant, Robert T. Pritchett, is so badly injured that he may die. The others were rescued after some difficulty by the firemen and the police.

BALTIMORE, June 17 .- Two lives were

At St. Denis, near Baltimore, the residence of Mrs. A. E. Kerschever was destroyed and her young son burned to death. The child was forgotten in the excitement and only the mother's piteou appeals aroused the firemen to the fact that a life was endangered. The firemen entered the blazing building and later emerged with the body of the boy.

\$10 Baltimore and Ohio Pop- \$10 ular Pan-American Exposition Excursions

CRIPPLED BY THE STRIKE.

Twelve Hundred Men Discharged a the Newport News Shippard.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 17,-The trike of machinists inaugurated at the plant of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company two weeks ago assumed a serious phase this afternoon when 1,200 men of various departments f construction were discharged by Suprintendent Post, of the yard, owing to lack of material to work with. This is the third large batch of men allowed to go within a week and the force at the plant is now stripped of all workingmer save those necessary to complete the repairs upon the hull of the North German Lloyd liner, the Main. The force at present ielle numbers about 3,500, and in a few days 1,000 more men will be added

The striking machinists are receiving ittle sympathy from the men who have en thrown out of work by the inconderate demands of the machinists, and t is probable that the strikers will have o relent and return to the yard, which hey are very willing to do, but Presi-ent O Connell, of the machinists' union,

as refused to consent The strikers and discharged men are orderly and no rioting is expected. Many f the men have left the city. The Government has its ships under construction at the Yard amply protected from any outburst of rowdyism by the presence of the Indiana, Alliance, and the Dolphin in the harbor, in close proximity to the Illinois, Arkansas, and the Missouri.

MAY STRIKE IN SYMPATHY. Senboard Machinists Likely to Be

Aided by Other Roads. SAVANNAH, Ga., June 17 .- The strike f the railroad machinists in Savannah eems to be growing and it appears now that it will be of more importance in the future than in the past. While the Seaboard Air Line officials say that they are getting along all right with the men they have employed, the machinists on other ailroads are said to be going on a sympathetic strike to aid their fellows of the

seaboard in gaining their ends. Today the machinists of the S. F. & W. Railway division of the Plant system, gave notice that they must have a working day of nine hours in the future or they would go out. At noon a committee Mr. Swanson of his candidacy forced Mr. of four union machinists employed at the Plant system shops waited on W. E. Simons, Superintendent of Motive Power, and told him they had been appointed by the union to demand ten hours' pay for nine hours' work. The superintendent listened to the demands of the men and | it was a vain vigil. When the last witat the conclusion of the conference, which lasted for two hours, told them that he could not accede to their wishes, as he had no authority to do so.

The representatives of the machinists' union informed him that they would defer action until noon tomorrow, when, if their demands were not acceded to, they would probably have to walk out. Mr. Simons left the city this afternoon. It is reported at his office that he said after the conference that matters seemed satisfactory to all concerned. The Plant system machinists are only working nine hours, but get only nine hours' pay under the present arrangement.

onceman Davis on a enarge of trespas on the enclosed grounds of the Scaboard | it in the face of a fire of objections. Air Line Railroad, where policemen are on guard, and with interfering with the ing Mr. Barker in the act of shooting. machinists who are employed there. Fox is one of the striking union machinists and identifying him running away from and he was endeavoring to persuade the non-union men to quit the service of the company, it is alleged, when placed under arrest.

STRIKERS RETURN TO WORK. Operations in a Scranton Locomo.

tive Shop Renewed. SCRANTON, Pa., June 17 .- The Cliff Works of the American Locomotive Company was able to resume operations in the blacksmith shop this morning, after an idieness of three weeks. Fifty-eight men are employed there. The men go back on the company's terms, and this is regarded

as a blow to the strikers. A gain for the strikers, however, has been secured in the Lackawanna yards, where 100 men, brought from out of town to take the places of strikers, have quit. They have demanded transportation home from the company, and have employed an attorney to secure it for them in accordince with the terms of an alleged agree-

ment. EMPLOYERS GIVE IN.

Baltimore Manufacturers Grant the

Demands of the Men. BALTIMORE, June 17 .- Hutchinson Brothers today granted the demands of the machinists for a nine-hour day with ten hours' pay, and their men returned to work. Counting the men who went out at the shop of Messrs. Detrick & Harvey, and who will go to work on Thurs- year ago. According to information obday, 156 of the strikers will resume their places this week,

"These concessions mean," said the union business agent, "that the strike has been won in this city. The only large fons of the State.

A few are opposed to the State allowng, religious institutions to be exempt rows Point. There are about 600 men out there. Only about 100 men are out in the city proper. We now control thirty shops and are in a position to control our craft is we never have been before. We now feel that we shall win all along the line."

TRACKMEN CALLED OUT. Nearly 5,000 Laborers on the Can-

ndian Pacific Strike. MONTREAL, June 17.-Nearly all the trackmen employed on the Canadian Pa- due at Petersburg, in the Wrangel Naraffected. The men are demanding \$1.50 a day and say they will remain out until the company gives in. The railroad is trying to fill the strikers' places with substitutes.

GRAFFAM FOUND GUILTY.

Convicted of Murder in the First Degree in Maine. PORTLAND, Me., June 17 .- A verdict f guilty of murder in the first degree of guilty of murder in the arst degree was found tonight in the case of Edward Graffam, of Hopedale, Mass., charged with the murder of Clifford Mosher, a farmer of Gorham, whose house Graffam and William Hands, a neighbor, robbed

Ocean Steamship Movements. NEW YORK, June 17.-Arrived; Boyle,

n January 12. Hands, who turned State's evidence, and

Liverpool; Britannia, Marseilles. Arrived out: Laurentian, from New York at Glas-gow; Potsdam, from New York for Rot-terdam, off The Lizard. A Fast Freight Wrecked.

CORRY, Pa., June 17 .- Fast freight No. 78 on the Eric Railroad was wrecked by a broken rail ten miles east of here early today. Thirty cars were piled up. Fred Jones, of Jamestown, was killed, and traille was blocked for eighteen hours.

Baltimore and Ohio Boston Tours, June 25-July 16. Personally conducted and all expenses include

BARKER'S LAWYER FIGHTS

PRICE ONE CENT.

Evidence Relating to the Shooting Stubbornly Opposed.

The Counsel for the Assailant of the Rev. John Keller Begins a Strange Legal Battle-No Sensational Details Brought Out Thus Far.

NEW YORK, June 17 .- The case of the State of New Jersey against Thomas G. Barker, charged with feloniously assaultng the Rev. John Kellar at Arlington, N. L, on February 3 last, began before Judge John A. Blair, in the court of general sessions, Jersey City, at 10 o'clock this morn-

With perhaps the single exception of the Bosschleter murder in Paterson last fail, and the trial of the four participators in that affair, no criminal event in New Jersey in years has attracted greater attention or has been so generally discussed and argued from all points of view as has this curious case. It was not the mere fact of the deadly assault itself, shocking as that was, which so intensely moved people. It was the motive given by the assailant for his action.

Yet with all the intensity of feeling which, i. New York, would have meant days if not weeks in getting a jury, it was just thirty-five minutes, after the first juror's name was called in the oldashioned courthouse on Jersey City Heights today that the jury was sworn and Prosecutor Erwin was ready to begin his opening of the case. Of course, the one question in everybody's mind at the opening was, if the real question involved in the controversy would be

brought out in the evidence. This was not whether Mr. Barker had committed a savage assault upon the Rev. John Keiler. Everybody in his own mind was convinced of that. The point was whether the rules of evidence would permit the telling of the story in open court, which Mrs. Barker, in her own home, and when all but distracted with shame and physical prostration, is alleged to have told her husband, the story, in a word, that was the motive for the crime. All day long as witness after witness took the stand the audience listened to

the lawyers' questions with keen atten-

tion, to see if from them they could gather an inkling, in attack or defence, of anything that bore on this point. But ness left the stand and court adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning the spectators were as far at sea as when the case opened. They were even more bewildered. The one thing that everybody had been sure would happen did not happen. Marshall W. Van Winkle, the counsel for Barker, dld not make merely a feint at confuting the fact of the assault itself. On the contrary, with all the devices and

contentions known to the mystery of legal

fencing, he fought apparently with sheer

desperation every scrap of testimony that

went to establish that Mr. Barker had shot down Mr. Keller. Not an admission, J. L. Fox was arrested this morning by not a concession would be make. The Witness after witness testified to see-Other witnesses testified to seeing him the scene of his crime. Still another witness testified to running after him. catching up with him, and hearing from his own lips the confession that he had

shot Mr. Keller, and that he was only

sorry he had not killed him. These wit-

nesses he attacked and harassed with a fire of cross-questions. THE PRICE OF COAL GOES UP.

New York Dealers Agree on an Advance of Twenty-five Cents. NEW YORK, June 17.-The retail price of coal was advanced 25 cents a ton today. This increase was decided on at a meeting of the retail dealers of this city held last Friday night at the Coal Exchange.

Fully 90 per cent of the New York deal-

ers were at this meeting. In addition to the advance which went into operation today it was resolved also to add another 25 cents a ten on September I and to make a still further increase of a like amount on November I. Householders, therefore, will be compelled after the latter day to pay an additional 75 cents a ton beyond the price which prevailed prior to today, despite the fact that there is no stringency in the supplies and

that freights are easier than they have been for a long time past. . The increased price to the consumer is brought about, the retailers assert, by the purpose of the wholesalers to recoup themselves for the losses sustained during the strike in the cothracite fields a tained from some of the large retail firms today the operators have been raising prices since April 1 10 cents a ton a month, and it is to meet this additional cost that the retailers have determined

A FISHING SCHOONER LOST. No Tidings Received of the Overdue

upon the advances named.

White Wings. TACOMA, Wash., June 17.-The fishing chooner White Wings is reported to have been lost between the north end of ancouver Island and the south end of Moresby Island, and twenty persons are said to have been drowned. Four days ago the schooner was three weeks overcific system are out on a strike for an rows, where she has been employed nerease of wages. Nearly 5,000 men are catching halibut by the Icy Strait Packing Company, which owns her.

The White Wings left Seattle last month for Petersburg with a crew of sixteen men. She had aboard four other men engaged to work in a cannery at Petersburg. Henry Smith, who arrived today from Wrangel Narrows, stated that the White Wings had not arrived there last Thursday, Officials of the canning company feel sure that she has The White Wings was of only forty tons egister and not built for rough weather. evertheless, to save time, Captain chason intended sailing her up the out-de passage, where she would be ex-Captain Johnson intended saining her up the out-side passage, where she would be ex-posed to severe west winds. The schooner was built at Senttle two years ago and has been fishing continuously in tlaskan waters until early in May, when

she returned for repairs. OTTO EBERHARDT KILLED.

The Man Who Deserted to the Filipinos Shot in Battle.

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 17 .- A private etter received here announces the killng in the Philippines of Otto Eberhardt, nce a weil-known Berlin musician. He deserted from the American army to become a Filipino captain and was shot in one of the recent skirmishes. Eberhardt, who before the war ornet soloist in the Washington 1

Band, had many friends in the Ge ircles of New York. B. & O. Week End Country Tri Tickets sold Saturdays and Sundays, for suntil following Monday, at reduced rates, from Vashington to Charlestown, Frederick, Annapo-

lis Junction, and intermediate points,

Safes for rest in fire and burglar proof vaults, 85 year up. Union Trust & Storage Co., 1414 P &

Leave Washington 7:05 a. m., arrive Buffalo 0:20 b. the very moderate rate of £28 for the round p. m., June 20. Leave Washington 5:06 p. m., June 25, arrive Buffalo 7:55 next morning. Beautiful scenery and spiendid accommodations on route. Tickets good returning seven days, '9 the rinformation call at B. & O. Offices and get cluding date of sale. indutions for all. Train stops at Train Leaving District Line Station